TRAFFIC ADVISORY



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Caltrans Preparing for Golden Gate Bridge Closure

San Francisco County– The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is preparing for the closure of the Golden Gate Bridge during this weekend Friday January 10 through January 12.

Caltrans will monitor traffic from the District 4 Traffic Management Center (TMC) in downtown Oakland.

The TMC is a state of the art facility that is operated by Caltrans twenty-four hours a day, every day of the week. The TMC serves as the central hub of the Bay Area highway transportation system. The TMC also controls all of the Changeable Message Signs (CMS) signs throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. CMS signs are electronic signs along the highway that inform drivers of driving conditions, such as road closures, alternate routes when applicable.

Caltrans will monitor traffic conditions throughout the Bay Area along the two designated detour routes that drivers will use for access between the North Bay and San Francisco.

Weekend approximate automobile usage on Bridges:

San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge: 227,800 Richmond-San Rafael Bridge: 63,000

Golden Gate Bridge: 70,700 (39,200 NB +41,500 SB)

Caltrans advises drivers to plan ahead for trips and expect delays.

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